



CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Scattered precipitation fell across Kansas last week, predominantly in the central and eastern areas of the State. Producers averaged 4.1 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture is rated at 5 percent very short, 10 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture is rated at 6 percent very short, 16 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Primary farm activity involved top dressing wheat, weed control, and sowing corn and sorghum.

Field Crop Report: **Wheat** is estimated at 60 percent jointed, compared to 89 percent in 2007 and 90 percent for a 5-year average. Wheat condition is rated 6 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Wind damage to the wheat crop across the state is 85 percent no damage, 9 percent having light damage, 5 percent with moderate damage, and 1 percent with severe wind damage. Freeze damage to wheat is being rated at 90 percent with no damage, 9 percent with light damage, and 1 percent having moderate freeze damage. Insect infestation of the wheat crop is rated at 83 percent none, 15 percent light, and 2 percent moderate. Disease infestation is rated at 77 percent none, 20 percent light, and 3 percent moderate. Eighteen percent of **corn** has been planted, compared to 26 percent last year and 45 percent for the 5-year average. Corn emerged is 2 percent, compared to 5 percent in 2007, and 15 percent for the 5-year average.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated at 8 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 38 percent good, and 4 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 11 percent short, 85 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 18 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were estimated at 3 percent very short, 9 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Some areas reported cattle being placed on wheat and rye pasture, as well as regular summer pastures.

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Crop Conditions for Week Ending 04/27/08

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
04/27/08	6	13	36	37	8
04/20/08	6	14	38	35	7
04/29/07	19	18	24	25	14
Range & Pasture	8	14	36	38	4

Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District as of 04/27/08

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Joint	30	29	72	58	65	81	31	69	77	60	40	89	90
Corn Planted	3	9	14	31	35	35	11	18	42	18	8	26	45

Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for Week Ending 04/27/08

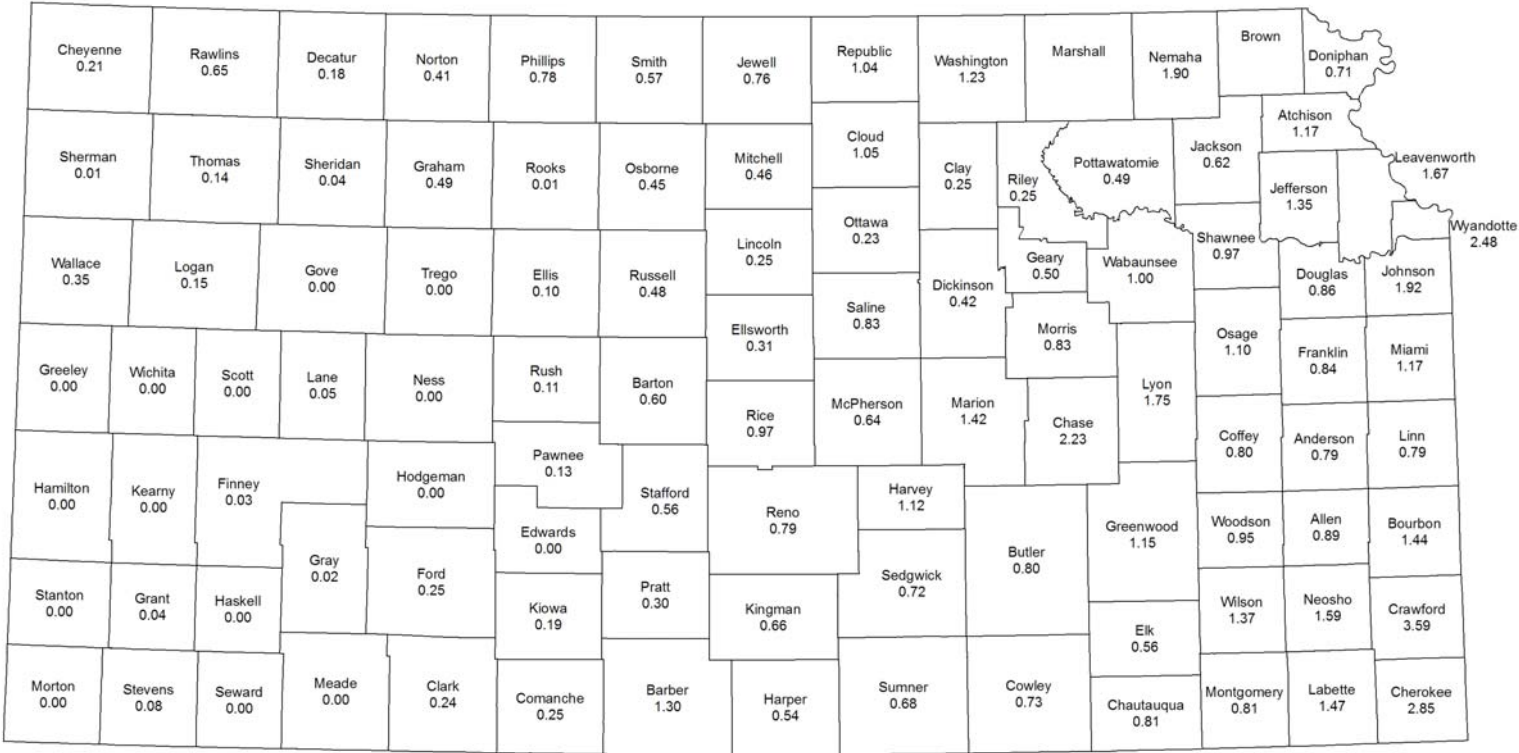
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable For Fieldwork	4.9	6.4	5.8	3.8	3.4	4.8	2.6	2.8	3.2	4.1	3.1	3.5
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	4	11	31	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	3	0
Short	23	23	39	2	3	10	0	0	0	10	9	3
Adequate	66	66	30	97	84	70	57	72	42	65	65	84
Surplus	7	0	0	1	12	20	43	28	58	20	23	13
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	5	16	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	5	0
Short	47	34	49	10	8	13	0	0	0	16	13	8
Adequate	48	50	14	90	82	85	75	84	59	66	68	89
Surplus	0	0	0	0	10	2	25	16	41	12	14	3

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 04/27/08

Station		Temperature					Precip	Station		Temperature					Precip
		Air			Soil 4"					Air			Soil 4"		
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min		Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	
NW	Colby	78	25	50	73	44	.03	SC	Hesston	75	36	57	73	49	.78
WC	Tribune	82	26	51	65	50	.00	NE	Powhatt	77	34	59	68	51	1.19
SW	Garden Cty	82	29	54	70	50	.01	NE	Manhat	78	33	56	68	50	.29
NC	Scandia	74	30	52	60	39	.55	EC	Ottawa	78	36	59	68	51	.60
C	Hays	77	31	54	68	38	.12	EC	Slvr Lk	81	34	59	64	50	.54
SC	Hutch	78	36	58	61	52	1.18	EC	Rossvl	80	33	58	63	51	.79
SC	St John	75	34	56	68	47	.43	SE	Parsons	79	37	61	69	49	.41

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting stations data are through 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 27, 2008



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.